नई संस्थाओं को खोलने और मौजूदा परिधीय संस्थाओं को सुदृढ़ करने का कार्य आरम्भ किया गया है ताकि सफदरजंग अस्पताल जैसे अस्पतालों के वर्तमान भार को कम किया जा सके ।

Admission of children of Defence Personnel in Central Schools

729. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that defence personnel are facing hardship in getting their children admitted to Central Schools on their transfer;

(b) if so, what remedial action Government propose to take in this regard; and

(c) what is the quota of seats reserved for the children of defence personnel and children of civilian Central Government employees separately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) Defence personnel whose children are already in Kendriya Vidyalayas do not face any difficulty in getting their children admitted in Kendriya Vidyalayas at the stations where they are transferred to. However, some defence personnel and other Central Government employees whose children have not been studying in Kendriya Vidyalayas face difficulty in getting them admitted for want of seats.

(b) Government has approved in principle the proposal of opening more Kendriya Vidyalayas every year during the four-year period 1986—90. Also, wherever needed additional sections are provided subject to availability of accommodation and funds.

(c) No quota of seats is reserved as both fall within the same priority category.

Uniform Education Policy

730. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item that appeared in the 'Times of India' of the 5th April, 1986 under the caption "PM for uniform education policy", if so, the details thereof; and

(b) what action Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The New Education Policy is under formulation and will be presented in the Parliament in the first week of May, 1986.

Meeting of Transport Development Council

731. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a meeting of the Transport Development Council was held in Delhi in the second week of April, 1986; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the discussions held and the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) A special Meeting of Transport Ministers of States/UT's was held in New Delhi on 16-4-86 to consider recommendations of the Report of the Working Group on review of Motor Vehicles Act, 1939 and also to consider on that

basis the proposals for comprehensive legislation to replace the existing Motor Vehicles Act, 1939.

It was agreed that the legislation may be brought forward on the basis of draft proposals formulated by the Working Group, and covering amendments to remove multiplicity of permits of goods carriers, simplifications of procedure for issuance/renewal of permits, stricter procedure for issuance of driving licences with requirement of training in motor driver training schools for drivers of commercial vehicles, simplified procedure for fixing passenger fares by the State Governments, removal of limits on the number of stage carriage permits on non-nationalized routes, provisions for fixing of age-limit for different types of vehicles, for in-built road safety, pollution control, carrying of hazardous equipment, stringent measures to control over-loading, trying of traffic offences by special courts of executive magistrates etc.

The meeting also agreed to set up a National and State level Road Safety Councils to formulate, implement and co-ordinate road safety measures. In respect of Composite fee for national permits which was contemplated to be Rs. 2000/- per plying State has been agreed to be reduced to Rs. 1500/- per plying State in the interest of ensuing operations by the truck industry.

The meeting also commended for adoption by all States a system of one-time lumpsum taxation on personalized vehicles.

Action against errant drivers of DTC

732. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of drivers prosecuted for overspeeding by the Delhi Transport Corpoation mobile squads in Delhi during the last two months; and

(b) what action has been taken against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) No case of over-speeding has been detected by the DTC Mobile Squads during the last two months. This is a result of the introduction of 16 Mobile Squads since 1-10-85 which has had an impact on the driving habits of bus drivers.

Further, 3559 buses have been fitted with speed limit brackets which limit their maximum speed to 40 K.M. per hour.

(b) Does not arise.

Allocation of funds to Jammu and Kashmir for Family Welfare Programme

733. SHRI DHARAM CHANDER PRASHANT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state the amount of funds which have been allocated to the Jammu and Kashmir Government for family welfare programmes during the year 1985-86 and the progress made in the programmes during that period in the state;

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): An amount of Rs. 267.96 lakh was sanctioned to the Government of Jammu and Kashmir for implementation of Family Welfare Programme during 1985-86. Scheme-wise targets and achievements under the programme are given in the enclosed Statement.